1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8			9
18.	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19.	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20.	Orissa	0	0	0	0	0	0	500	350	850
21.	Punjab	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22.	Rajasthan	0	230	230	570	765	1335	5000	500	5500
23.	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25.	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26.	Uttar Pradesh	0	7503	7503	0	16620*	16620*	500	4000	4500
27.	Uttaranchal	0	87	87	2332	798	3130	2500	350	2850
28.	West Bengal	0	352	352	0	2108	2108	1500	0	1500
29.	Delhi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	GRAND TOTAL	350	9819	10169	11527	28706	40233	26500	13500	40000

* UP Govt. has reduced the progress by 472 un-electrified villages reportedly electrified under RGGVY, in the reply to PEO, Planning Commission's observations.

Environmental clearances for UMPPs

*73. DR. K. KESHAVA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) How many Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs) have been proposed by various parties in the country;

(b) what is their total capacity;

(c) whether inordinate delay, in granting environmental clearances, is hampering the implmentation of these projects; and

(d) if so, whether there is any proposal with Government to prepare a comprehensive environmental mapping to hasten such clearances?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Power had launched an initiative for the development of coal based Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs), each of about 4000 MW capacity. These projects are being developed on a Build, Own and Operate basis, and the project developers are selected through a tariff based competitive bidding process initiated/to be initiated by project specific shell companies which have been formed as wholly owned subsidiaries of Power Finance Corporation, the identified nodal agency for this initiative.

After finalization of sites in consultation with the States, the bidding process was initiated in respect of four Ultra Mega Power Projects. Out of these four, the bidding process in respect of UMPPs to be located in Sasan (Madhya Pradesh), Mundra (Gujarat) and Krishnapatnam (Andhra Pradesh) has been completed and the bidding process in respect of the fourth project, namely Tillaiya UMPP is currently in progress. In addition, it is envisaged to set up UMPPs at coastal locations in the States of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka and at pithead sites in the States of Orissa and Chhattisgarh. The initiation of the bidding process for setting up the UMPPs in these States is contingent upon the receipt of final clearances/inputs regarding site and water availability from the respective State Governments.

(c) No inordinate delay has been reported in granting environmental clearances in respect of the Ultra Mega Power Projects. The Ministry of Environment and Forests has reported the following position in this regard:

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Date of receipt of the proposal	Status
1.	Sasan Ultra Mega Power Project	11.08.2006	Environmental clearance granted on 23.11.2006
2.	Mundra Ultra Mega Power Project	15.11.2006	Environmental clearance granted on 2.03.2007
3.	Krishnapatnam Ultra Mega Power Project	14.06.2007	Environmental clearance granted on 23.10.2007
4.	Tillaiya Ultra Mega Power Project	05.10.2007	Considered by the Expert Appraisal Committee in its meeting held on February 11-13, 2008. The Committee has reconmmended the proposal.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Malnutrition in Vidarbha region

†*74. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:
SHRI DATTA MEGHE:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has prepared any project to save thousands of tribal and other category children of Vidarbha region in Maharashtra from malnutrition;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that, on many occasions, young children have even died due to malnutrition; and

(d) if so, the effective steps taken by Government to avoid recurrence of such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) Ministry of Women and Child Development is administering a Centrally-sponsored Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme which is implemented through State Governments. ICDS provides a package of services comprising supplementary nutrition, immunization, health check-up, referral services, pre-school non-formal education and nutrition and health education. ICDS Scheme has been expanded twice in 2005-06 and 2006-07, increasing the number of ICDS Projects. Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) and Mini-AWCs to 6284, 10.53 lakhs and 36829, respectively. For Maharashtra, 79 additional Projects, 22741 AWCs and 7490 Mini-AWCs have been sanctioned during the year 2005-06 and 2006-07. However, no area specific project has been framed for Vidarbha Region.

(c) The malnutrition is not a direct cause of death although it can increase the susceptibility to morbidity and mortality by reducing body is resistance to infections.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.